

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, in 2001, a total of 26,090 motor vehicle crashes occurred in Idaho, killing 259 people and injuring 14,021, at a cost to Idahoans of some \$1,539,203,651; and

WHEREAS, impaired driving caused approximately 36 percent of those deaths; and

WHEREAS, driving under the influence (DUI) is unacceptable, it puts our families at risk, and Idahoans will not tolerate the senseless death and injury on our state's roadways cause by those who choose to drive impaired; and

WHEREAS, the December holiday season is traditionally one of the most deadly times of the year for drug and alcohol impaired driving; and

WHEREAS, community-based anti-DUI strategies including education, effective laws, and strong law enforcement through weekly anti-DUI saturation patrols have been proven to be successful in reducing impaired driving; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho is a partner in that effort to make our highways, roads and streets safer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim December 2002, to be

YOU DRINK, YOU DRIVE, YOU LOSE MONTH

in Idaho and I urge all Idahoans to promote awareness of the impaired driving problem, while providing opportunities for all to participate in saving lives this holiday season.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twentieth day of November in the year of our Lord two-thousand and two and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

PETE T. CENARRUSA SECRETARY OF STATE